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PANEL HAVING A HINGE, AND A PANEL OBTAINED BY
PERFORMING SUCH A METHOD

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Sir:

This is a response to the Restriction Requirement of September 14, 2001. Applicant elects with traverse to prosecute Group 1 comprising Claims 1-6 and 10/1-15/1 drawn to a method of forming a hinge in a panel by cutting.

Consequently, in view of the art already of record in this application, Applicants' attorney respectfully submits the application is in condition for allowance, which allowance is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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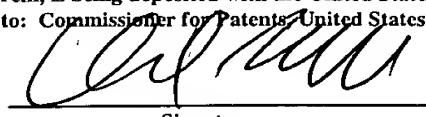
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